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M/R: Moeting between Mr. Helms and Dr. BRUECKNER

to Dr. BRUECKNER in the CLA Briefing Acom, 117 Central Building. Also present was retired mometarily to make some telephone calls. Conversation between Helms and BRUECKNER started in English but switched to German when Helms told BRUECKNER that he understood and could speak some German.

Helms asked BRUECKNER about his specific role in the German police and BRUECKNER said that he was chief of the unit which had charge of security of high government officials and federal buildings in which they worked (and lived), and also that his unit had charge of investigating cases of treason and high treason for the federal courts.

BIJECKNER mentioned that the Otto JOHN case was probably very familiar to Helms, whereupon the latter asked what had happened to JOHN. BRUECKNER said that JOHN was in jail in Heidelberg where he was awaiting trial at some future date. Helms asked whether JOHN was actually in jail, or out on bond. BRUECKNER said that he was actually in jail.

Helms asked if there were any new developments in the case.

BRUECKNER said that the Security Group had been given some letters which Wolfgang WOHLGENUTH had written to persons in the West in which WOHLGENUTH denied that JCHN was drugged prior to going to East Berlin.

BRUECKNER said that when JOHN is brought to trial, it is hoped that WOHLGENITH can appear as a witness. BRUECKNER said that as far as is known, WOHLGENITH is free to move around in the East and that the only thing which is probably keeping him from returning west is uncertainty as to what charges he would be faced with on his return.

BRUECKNER said that JOHN's defection East was a most unfortunate happening, especially since he offered himself to such good psychological exploitation. BRUECKNER said that JOHN was not qualified for the job as head of the BfV and that his immaturity and instability should have been noted.

Helms said that he was happy to have talked to BRUECKNER and that he hoped his visit would be profitable and enjoyable. BRUECKNER thanked Helms for having stopped by and expressed his appreciation for the attention which he was receiving.

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After Helms left the room, he immediately called the Director's secretary and stated that he felt the Director would be interested in talking to ERUECKNER. The program was consulted and a tentative arrangement (later confirmed) was made for BRUECKNER to see the Birector at 1000 on Tuesday, 12 June. A second second to the body body of the AND AND REAL PROPERTY OF THE PROPERTY OF THE REAL PROPERTY OF THE PROPERTY OF

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